

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
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For Work Week Commencing: September 1, 2003

Commission Meeting: September 2, 2003, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://www.psc.state.mt.us>.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Qwest Communications Corporation N2000.8.113 (Scott)

On August 12, 2003, Qwest filed tariff transmittal 03-20, Business Save Promotion. In this filing Qwest is requesting to run a promotion from October 1, 2003 through December 29, 2003. Business customers who request to have one or more products disconnected, and after having been informed of the product's benefits, may be offered a discount equal to one month's recurring charges(s) if they sign a new 1-year contract agreement, two month's recurring charge(s) if they sign a new 3-year contract agreement and three month's recurring charges(s) if they sign a new 3-year or 5-year

contract agreement. The products to be included are: Single line ISDN Service (SLS)—available on flat rated services only, Bulk uniform Access Solution Service (Bulk UAS), Basic Digital Switched Service (Basic DSS)—available on 3-year and 5-year contracts only, Bulk advanced Digital Switched Service, and Bulk Primary Rate Service.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2003.5.62 & D2003.4.46 – FCC Triennial Review Order. (9/2/03)
2. D2003.8.109 – Montana Consumer Counsel – Request to Investigate NorthWestern Energy. (9/2/03)

Other Meetings

9/2/03 – 1:30 pm – SB247 – Informal Roundtable (Bollinger Room)

Weekly Scheduling – Will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the day of the Commission Meeting

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.state.mt.us/PublicComment/PublicComment.htm>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. MDU Resources Group, Inc. D2003.8.116 (Eric)

On August 20, 2003, MDU Resources Group, Inc. filed an application to issue additional shares of Common Stock in connection with a three-for-two stock split effected in the form of a stock dividend.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

- D2003.8.115** – NorthWestern Energy – Monthly Electric Supply Cost Rate Adjustment
- D2003.8.116** – MDU Resources Group – Application for Authorization for the Issuance of Securities
- D2003.8.117** – Qwest & M.A.I.N. – Interconnection Agreement adopting Generally Accepted Terms & Conditions
- D2003.8.118** – Qwest & Regal – Application for Approval of Resale Agreement
- D2003.8.119** – Qwest & Alticom – Application for Approval of Resale Agreement
- D2003.8.120** – Montana Dakota Utilities – Application for Authority to Establish Increase Rates for Electric Service in the State of Montana Public Service Commission
- D2003.8.121** – Colstrip Energy Limited Partnership/Yellowstone Energy Limited Partnership – Petition to Segregate Qualifying Facility Funds